

## **Renting a House/Apartment**

**Objective:** Research and find a house or apartment to rent in your community. As a group, agree on which house or apartment to choose, keeping within a total budget of \$2815. If you can't find the answer to a specific question, you may make an assumption and explain why. Be sure to cite your sources next to each question.

- What is the address of the property you selected?
- What rights and responsibilities does a tenant have in Arizona according to state law? How do these impact your choice of rental?
- What are the legal requirements for a rental agreement in Arizona? Are there any protections for tenants if the landlord does not fulfill their obligations?
- What is the total move-in cost, including the first month's rent, security deposit, and any additional fees?
- Will everyone in your group be listed on the lease or rental agreement? Why or why not?
- What utilities will need to be connected? What are the estimated costs for these utilities?
- Will each person in your group have their own room? If not, how will space be shared?
- Is the rental property part of a homeowner's association (HOA)? If so, are there HOA fees, and what do they cover?
- Is renter's insurance required? If not, will your group choose to purchase it? If so, what is the estimated cost?
- What is the neighborhood like? How convenient is it to work, school, public transportation, or other important amenities?